## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dieter Scharnweber et al.

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Title: Metallic Object with a Nucleic Acid Coating and Derivatives Thereof

and Method for Producing Said Object

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**Commissioner for Patents** 

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the office action dated 7/3/2007, please amend the claims as follows: